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INFO AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI

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E. O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: OPIUM SAMPLE

NEW DELHI FOR LORENZ

1. GSL POLICE OFFICIAL HAS PROVIDED EMBOFF WITH SMALL SAMPLES (APPROX SIZE OF COLD CAPSUL) OF SUBSTANCE DESCRIBED AS " EXTREMELY ADULTERATED INDIAN OPIUM." THIS IS REPORTEDLY REPRESENTATIVE OF OPIUM AVAILABLE IN COLOMBO FOR LOCAL CONSUMPTION AND WAS PURCHASED BY POLICE PLAIN CLOTHES DETECTIVE. CEYLONSE POLICE HAVE EXPRESSED INTEREST IN HAVING SAMPLE ANALYZED FOR CONTENTS, STRENGTH AND - IF POSSIBLE - ORIGIN. WOULD APPRECIATE IF BNDD LABS COULD DO ANALYSIS OF SAMPLES AND PROVIDE RESULTS TO US TO PASS TO GSL.

FOR DEPT:

2. IF THIS ACCEPTABLE, EMBASSY PROPOSES TO SHIP SAMPLES BY REGISTERED CLASSIFIED COURIER POUCH. 5 FAM 332.4 ORDINARILY PROHIBITS SHIPMENT OF SUCH SUBSTANCES BY POUCH. POUCH, HOWEVER, IS ONLY SECURE WAY OF SHIPMENT FROM SRI LANKA. EMBASSY BELIEVES BNDD ANALYSIS THIS SAMPLE WOULD BE A MEANINGFUL CONTRIBUTION TO DEVELOPING GSL ANTI- DRUG PROGRAM AND POSSIBLY TO US INTELLIGENCE ON INDO- SRI LANKA DRUG TRAFFIC, AND RECOMMENDS DEPT TO AUTHORIZE SHIPMENT THIS AND FUTURE SAMPLES TO BNDD LABORATORY BY POUCH.

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